THE DNR MISSION



The Department of Natural Resources preserves, protects, enhances and restores Maryland's natural resources for the wise use and enjoyment of all citizens.

THE NRP MISSION

The Maryland Natural Resources Police serve as a public safety agency with statewide authority to enforce conservation, boating, and criminal laws, as well as to provide primary law enforcement services for Maryland's state parks, state forests, and public lands owned and managed by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources. The agency is also responsible for maritime and rural search and rescue, and is designated as the state's lead agency for homeland security on Maryland waters; and in all of its operations and activities strives to provide superior service to all of Maryland's citizens and visitors who enjoy the state's natural resources.



Maryland Natural Resources Police SFAC Meeting Tawes State Office Building July 19, 2010

General Tidal Fish

04/23 WI County – Cpl. Christensen issued 1 citation for commercial possession of undersize Conch.

04/24 KE County – Officers charged a commercial fisherman with several violations related to the commercial harvest of turtles.

04/30 WO County – Cpl. Christensen issued a citation to a commercial waterman for taking undersize Conch.

05/15-20 WO/SO Counties – 6 citations/9 warnings issued for fish violations,

05/29 WO County – Ofc. Frost issued 6 citations for undersize Tautog in OC.

06/05 WO County – Ofc. Felsecker issued a citation for undersize Tautog.

06/09 WO County – 2 citations issued for undersize flounder.

06/13 WO County – Ofc. Frost issued a citation for undersize flounder.

06/16 WO County – Ofc. Frost issued a citation for undersize flounder.

06/18 CA County – Sgt. Ditmars issued a citation for illegally set "spot pots" in Solomons Harbor.

06/19-20 WO County – 3 citations issued for possession of Shad, 1 for possession undersize Flounder and 5 citations for undersize Tautog.

Striped Bass

4/24 SO County – Ofc. Howard issued 1 citation for possession of striped bass in prohibited area.

05/01 SO County – Ofc. Howard issued 1 citation for taking Striped Bass in a prohibited area. The fish were hidden in a bushel until he prepared to leave.

05/01 QA County – Two citations and 2 warnings were issued for illegal possession of striped bass.

05/02 WI County – Ofc. Mattson issued 1 citation for taking Striped Bass from a prohibited area of the Nanticoke River.

- 05/04 QA County Officers removed a gill net near Bloody Point which appeared to have been set since the end of the net season. Many dead and decaying Striped Bass were in the net. Hydro helped remove the net.
- 05/05 SO County Ofc. Brimer issued 1 citation for possession of an undersize Striped Bass near Crisfield.
- 05/07 SO County Ofc. Brimer issued a citation for possession of an undersize striped bass
- 05/12 SO County Ofc. Tyler issued a citation for possession of a striped bass in a prohibited area.
- 06/12 WO County Ofc. Frost issued a citation for undersize striped bass.
- 06/16 CA County Two citations were issued for commercial hook and line violations. 119 pounds of striped bass were seized. (one vessel) Patuxent River.
- 06/21 SM/CA County Officers seized 6 striped bass following enforcement patrol on Lower Patuxent River concentrating on commercial hook and line activity.

Oysters & Clams

- 04/28 TA County Officers charged a commercial fisherman (Ben Harrison Marshall) with oystering during the closed season and dredging in a Hand Tong Area only. 5.5 bushels of oysters were found hidden in the cabin of the boat. The oysters were seized and returned to the oyster bar. (attached article)
- 06/04 DO County 2 citations were issued for illegal clamming in the Choptank SAV area.
- 06/11 DO County 1 citation issued for clamming to close to shore.

Crabs

- 04/23 WO County Ofc. Frost issued 1 citation for undersized crabs.
- 05/14 SM County Ofc's. Kraemer and Dyson issued a citation and warning to a subject caught crabbing after hours.
- 05/15-20 WO/SO Counties 1 citation/5 warnings for crab violations
- 05/28 SM County Off. Ostazeski issued a citation for fishing another person crab pots.
- 05/30 WO County Ofc. Frost issued 1 citation for undersize crabs
- 05/31 WO County Ofc. Frost issued 1 citation for undersize crabs
- 06/05 SO County 3 citations/4 warnings for undersize crabs.
- 06/06 WO County 2 citations were issued for undersize crabs.
- 06/07 WO County 1 citation was issued for undersize crabs.
- 06/11 WO County Ofc. Brimer issued rec. crabber citation for undersize crabs.
- 06/12 QA County 2 citations/8 warnings issued for crabbing early and no nav. Lights.
- 06/12 WO County Ofc's issued 3 citations and 2 warnings for undersize crabs, 1 citation and 3 warnings for possession of female crabs and 2 warnings for over the limit.
- 06/13 WO/SO County two citations issued for undersize crabs.
- 06/13 QA County 1 citation/5 warnings issued to commercial waterman for crabbing w/out a license and associated boating violations. 3 ½ bushels crabs returned to waters of the state.
- 06/13 KE County 19 warnings/2 citations issued during crab saturation patrol. 31 boats checked.
- 06/14 SO County Ofc. Tyler issued a citation for undersize crabs, two warnings for undersize and female.
- 06/15 SO County Officers issued 1 citation for undersize peelers, 2 warnings for crabbing on day off and not displaying waterman's ID.
- 06/19-20 WO County 5 citations were issued for undersize crabs.

- 06/23 KE County One citation/one warning issued following crab saturation patrol undersize.
- 06/23 BA County Officer Timms issued a homeowner a citation for exceeding the legal number of crab pots on pier. He had 8.
- 06/24 TA County 1 citation/12 warnings for undersize crabs following saturation patrol.
- 06/26 WO County One citation was issued to a rec. crabber using too many crab pots.
- 06/26 TA County 1 Citation was issued for crabbing gear to close to another.
- 06/27 WO County Property owner was charged with disturbing commercial gear of another after waterman located his two pots on a dock.
- 06/27 CH County 2 citations were issued for rec. crabbers laying more than the legal length of trotline in Nanjemoy Cr.
- 06/28 DO County 11 bushels of female crabs over the limit were seized. Charges pending.
- 06/30 SO County 1 citation issued for undersize crabs
- 07/02 AA County Ofc. Biermann arrested a commercial Waterman for assaulting another watermen, over troutline dispute.
- 07/2-4 WO/SO County 2 citations were issued to commercial watermen for undersize crabs, 3 citations issued to rec. crabbers for undersize.
- 07/07 SO/WO County 9 illegally set crab pots were seized.
- 07/08 SO County 1 citation issued for undersize peelers, 1 citation for mixing males/females.

Non-Tidal

- 04/24 AL County Cpl. Clise charged 2 subjects for fishing w/out a license and w/out a trout stamp and warnings for possession of bait in the Delayed Harvest Area of Town Creek. (OT Grant)
- 04/28 FR County Ofc. Lowman issued 3 citations at the Gambrill State Park Pond.
- 05/01 CH County Cpl. Tustin issued 9 citations and seized a large number of fish from an individual using a net in a prohibited area of Mattawoman Creek.
- 05/01 CL County Ofc. Lilliard issued 2 citations and 4 warnings to subjects using illegal nets and spears to fish in the non tidal waters at McKeldin in Patapsco State Park.
- 05/01 AL County Cpl. Cage issued 3 citations to subjects fishing w/out licenses in the North Branch Potomac River, Devil's Alley area.
- 05/04 WA County Cpl. Herndon charged a subject for possession of Largemouth Bass during the closed season at Dam #5. (Fishing Grant)
- 05/08 HA County Ofc. Ward issued a citation for keeping Hickory Shad at the Conowingo Dam.
- 05/08 HA County Ofc. Ward issued warnings for those fishing for Striped Bass at the Conowingo Dam.
- 05/09 GA County Ofc. Satterfield issued a citation to a fisherman for possessing bait on the Casselman River Delayed Harvest Area.
- 05/14 GA County Ofc. T. McMillan issued 2 citations and 2 warnings for fishing w/out licenses and possessing bait in the Delayed Harvest Area of the Casselman River.
- 05/29 GA County Cpl. May issued a citation for possessing over the limit of Crappie 29 in possession.
- 05/29 06/14 FR County Numerous citations and warnings have been written for possession of bass during the closed season primarily at Cunningham Falls S.P. and Greenbrier S.P.
- 06/04 GA County Cpl. Clise issued 1 citation/1 warning for possession of bass closed season, Potomac.
- 06/05 HA County Ofc. Brown charged a subject for fishing with a bow and arrow in Susquehanna S.P.
- 06/18 AL County 3 citations and 5 warnings were issued at Rocky Gap for fishing violations. Officers were working the fish grant.
- 06/19 AL County One citation issued for possessing trout in Zero Creel limit area. 2 fishing license citations issued.
- 06/19 AL County Officers issued 6 citations and 12 warnings while working the fish grant at Rocky Gap State Park.
- 07/05 BA County 1 citation and 1 warning were issued to a subject keeping illegal fish at Loch Raven.

11 fish were returned to the water.